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**1985/02/21**

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PRIORITY -- ~~SECRET~~ -- GENSER MESSAGE -- 7440 CHARACTERS  
REFERENCE FROM COMIPAC HONOLULU HI, SSN 0 AT 21 0206Z FEB85

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SECTION 01 OF 02

REF: IPAC DAILY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY 35-85 (U)

(IIPS REC. I.D. PN 001) (U)

(U) INDIVIDUAL ITEMS MAY BE FURTHER DISSEMINATED TO U.S. INTEL-  
IGENCE USERS BASED ON CLASSIFICATION AND NEED TO KNOW. REQUESTS  
FOR RELEASE/DISCLOSE ANY INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS SUMMARY TO A  
FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO COMIPAC FOR APPROVAL IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT NATIONAL DISCLOSURE POLICY.

(U) FORWARD WITHOUT SERVICE. INFORMATION PERISHABLE.

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(U) THE SECURE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR IPAC ANALYSTS IS 6223.  
UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

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(U) THIS SUMMARY CONTAINS THREE ITEMS:

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PRIORITY -- ~~SECRET~~ -- GENSER MESSAGE -- 1924 CHARACTERS  
REFERENCE FROM COMIPAC HONOLULU HI, SSN 6 AT 21 0206Z FEB85

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THE YUNNAN MILITARY REGION COMMANDER.

(U) THE FACT THAT LI ACCOMPANIED HU TO YUNNAN COULD BE VIEWED AS AN ATTEMPT BY THE CHINESE LEADERSHIP TO LAY THE FOUNDATION FOR LI'S ASCENDANCY INTO A POSITION OF HIGHER AUTHORITY WITHIN THE MILITARY. LI, WHO IS IN HIS EARLY SEVENTIES, HAS BEEN CHARACTERIZED AS A POLITICAL OPPORTUNIST; HE IS THE ONLY COMMANDER TO SURVIVE THE MILITARY REGION LEADERSHIP RESHUFFLE IN 1982. HE HAS SINCE PUBLICLY SUPPORTED DENG XIAOPING'S REFORMIST POLICY VIS-A-VIS THE PROFESSIONALIZATION OF THE MILITARY AND, THEREFORE, IS LINKED TO THE REFORMIST CAMP. ADDITIONALLY, DURING THE RECENT NATIONAL DAY PARADE ON 01 OCT 84, ALTHOUGH LISTED IN HIS CAPACITY AS A POLITICAL BUREAU MEMBER, LI WAS ONE OF THE TWO MILITARY REGIONAL COMMANDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT (THE OTHER WAS QIN YUELI, WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE PARADE). IN VIEW OF THESE FACTORS, IT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING TO SEE LI'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE PARTY MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION AND/OR THE STATE CENTRAL MILITARY COMMISSION AS A RESULT OF THE ANTICIPATED PERSONNEL REALIGNMENT IN THE MILITARY LEADERSHIP LATER THIS YEAR.

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